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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

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Mr. Dale Beasley
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Dear Mr. Beasley:

This letter is in response to your comment letter, dated March 3, 2003, with regards to the Final Supplemental Integrated Feasibility Report and Environmental Impact Statement for the Columbia River Channel Improvement Project.

As noted in your March 3 letter, your comments largely restate comments you have previously submitted on the project, and which the Corps has addressed through the Final SEIS and responses to your earlier comments. In addition, most of your comments concern activities associated with the Mouth of the Columbia River (MCR) Operation and Maintenance Project and those questions should be addressed to the Project Manager for MCR, Mrs. Doris McKillip. You can send your questions and concerns to her through Mr. Davis Moriuchi at P.O. Box 2946, Portland, Oregon 97208.

Your remaining comments have been and will be addressed through the water quality and Coastal Zone Management approvals issued by both Washington and Oregon, the state adaptive management programs being established under those approvals (e.g., relating to crab and other fish, as well as Regional Sediment Management), and through the Record of Decision, which should be issued by the end of 2003.

Thank you for taking the time to comment on the Columbia River Channel Improvement Project.

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